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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re A	Application of: Graham <i>et al</i> .)
Serial	No.: 09/781,695)
Filed:	February 12, 2001)
For:	METHODS OF INDUCING PRODUCTION OF ISOFLAVONES IN PLANTS USING NUCLEAR RECEPTOR LIGANDS	7)))

Examiner: Pryor, A.L.

Art Unit: 1616

Attorney Docket: 22727/04056

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed February 26, 2004, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response. This Response is timely filed on or before

May 26, 2004, and no fee is required for its consideration. /2004 RHARMEN 00000001 030172 09781695

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First to 37 C.F.R. § 1.116, Applicants propose that this application be amended as

follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page: 2.

Remarks begin on page: 13.

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In view of the foregoing remarks, Applicant submits that this claimed invention, as amended, is neither anticipated nor rendered obvious in view of the prior art references cited against this application. Applicant therefore requests the entry of this Amendment, the Examiner's reconsideration and reexamination of the application, and the timely allowance of the pending claims.

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our deposit account number 03-0172.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: April 23,2004

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